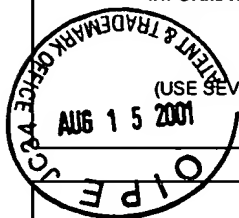


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The graph shows the function  $f(x) = 1 - 2^{-x}$  plotted on a coordinate grid. The x-axis ranges from 0 to 4, and the y-axis ranges from 0 to 1. The curve starts at the origin (0, 0) and increases, passing through the points (1, 0.5), (2, 0.75), (3, 0.875), and (4, 0.9375). The curve approaches the horizontal asymptote  $y = 1$  as  $x$  increases.

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